

Variational Integrators for Euler-Poincaré equations

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Motivation

[Geometric mechanics]: Symmetry-preserving **discretizations of variational principles lead to Numerical algorithms** that approximate trajectories of the corresponding dynamical system with good long-term energy conservation properties.

Objective: Create an algorithm that generates discrete fields approximating solutions of Euler-Poincaré field equations:

$$\left(\frac{\partial \ell}{\partial q}(q, \chi) \right) \circ \pi_q - \operatorname{div}_\chi \left(\frac{\partial \ell}{\partial \chi}(q, \chi) \right) = 0 \quad (\ell \in C^\infty(H\text{Str} \times_X CP))$$

Unknown flat principal connection χ , and χ -parallel H -structure q on principal G -bundle P

Mechanism: Solve discrete Euler-Poincaré field equations arising in H -reduced discrete variational principles (solutions have conservation of discrete Noether currents).

Tasks: – Create discrete Euler-Poincaré equations by means of a covariant discretization of Euler-Poincaré variational principle.

– Devise algorithm to generate solutions of discrete Euler-Poincaré equations.

Idea: Generalize to field theories the arguments used for reduced discrete mechanics on Lie groups (Kobalirov, Marsden).

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Reduced discrete mechanics on Lie group G

Determination of **unknown trajectory** $g(t): \mathbb{R}_t \rightarrow G$

Critical for action functional:

(Variational principle)

$$\mathbb{L}_K(g(t)) = \int_{t=t_{ini}}^{t=t_{end}} \mathcal{L}(t, g(t), \dot{g}(t)) dt, \quad K = [t_{ini}, t_{end}] \subset \mathbb{R}_t$$

Dynamics is encoded by a **fixed Lagrangian function** $\mathcal{L}(t, g, \dot{g}): \mathbb{R} \times TG \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

Particular situation:

Left-action morphisms $l_h: g \in G \mapsto hg \in G$ are symmetries of the Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}(t, A_g) = \mathcal{L}(t, (d_g l_h) A_g), \quad \forall A_g \in T_g G, h \in G$$

Left trivialisation $A_g \in TG \rightarrow (d_e l_g)^{-1} A_g \in T_e G = \text{Lie } G \Rightarrow$ identification $TG/G \simeq \text{Lie } G$

Reduced Lagrangian $\ell(t, \xi): \mathbb{R} \times \text{Lie } G \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$\mathcal{L}(t, A_g) = \ell(t, (d_e l_g)^{-1} A_g) \quad \mathcal{L}(t, g, \dot{g}) = \ell(t, g^{-1} \dot{g})$$

Unknown reduced trajectory $\xi(t) = (d_e l_{g(t)})^{-1} ((d/dt)g(t)) = (g(t))^{-1} \dot{g}(t)$ on $\text{Lie } G$

Reduced discrete mechanics on Lie group G

Reduced variational principles in mechanics:

[Crouch, Lewis, Munthe-Kaas, Owren, Kobilarov]

Determination of unknown reduced trajectories $\xi(t): \mathbb{R}_t \rightarrow \text{Lie } G$

Critical for action functional:

$$\mathbb{L}_K(\xi(t)) = \int_{t=t_{ini}}^{t=t_{end}} \ell(t, \xi(t)) dt, \quad K = [t_{ini}, t_{end}] \subset \mathbb{R}_t$$

with respect to **particular variations** $\text{Var}_\xi = \{\delta_a \xi = \dot{a} + [a, \xi]\}$ parameterized by particular curves $a(t)$ on $\text{Lie } G$ with compact support.

$$\text{Euler-Poincaré } \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial \ell}{\partial \xi}(t, \xi(t)) \right) = \left(\frac{\partial \ell}{\partial \xi}(t, \xi(t)) \right) \circ \text{Ad}_{\xi(t)} \in (\text{Lie } G)^* \quad (1\text{st order})$$

★ Discrete analogue?

Reduced discrete mechanics on Lie group G

Discretisation of timeline manifold: Fix increasing sequence of temporal events $(t_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ with time-steps $h_k = t_{k+1} - t_k > 0$

Retraction mapping: Fix $\tau: \text{Lie } G \rightarrow G$ to linearize elements close to $e \in G$

Approximate solution $g(t)$ by discrete sequence $(g_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ on G , where g_k is considered approximation to $g(t_k) \Rightarrow$ Approximate $\xi(t_k)$ and the action functional by:

$$\xi_k = \frac{\tau^{-1}(g_k^{-1} g_{k+1})}{h_k}, \quad \mathbb{L}_K(\xi(t)) \simeq \mathbb{L}_K^d(g_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} = \sum_{[t_k, t_{k+1}] \subset K} \ell(t_k, \xi_k) h_k$$

Criticality: Discrete Euler-Poincaré equations (sequence in $(\text{Lie } G)^*$)

$$0 = \left(\frac{\partial \ell}{\partial \xi}(t_{k-1}, \xi_{k-1}) \right) \circ (d\tau)_{h_{k-1} \xi_{k-1}}^{-1} \circ \text{Ad}_{\tau(h_{k-1} \xi_{k-1})} - \left(\frac{\partial \ell}{\partial \xi}(t_k, \xi_k) \right) \circ (d\tau)_{h_k \xi_k}^{-1} \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Can be expressed as:

$$0 = \text{Ad}_{\tau(h_{k-1} \xi_{k-1})}^* \mu_{k-1} - \mu_k$$
$$\mu_k = \left(\frac{\partial \ell}{\partial \xi}(t_k, \xi_k) \right) \circ (d\tau)_{h_k \xi_k}^{-1}$$

Reduced discrete mechanics on Lie group G

Solving Discrete Euler-Poincaré equations

$$0 = \text{Ad}_{\tau(h_{k-1}\xi_{k-1})}^* \mu_{k-1} - \mu_k$$

Discrete Legendre mapping $Leg_{\tau,\ell}: (k, \xi_k) \in \mathbb{Z} \times \text{Lie } G \mapsto (k, \mu_k) \in \mathbb{Z} \times (\text{Lie } G)^*$

$$\mu_k = \left(\frac{\partial \ell}{\partial \xi}(t_k, \xi_k) \right) \circ (d\tau)_{h_k \xi_k}^{-1}$$

Integrating discrete Euler-Poincaré equations relies in:

- From μ_{k-1} and using $Leg_{\tau,\ell}^{-1}$ one may obtain ξ_{k-1} .
- From ξ_{k-1}, μ_{k-1} and using discrete E.P. one may obtain μ_k .

Iterative application of the first two steps allows to recover $(\mu_k, \xi_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ from μ_0 or ξ_0 .

- From (g_k, ξ_k) , and using definition $\xi_k = \frac{\tau^{-1}(g_k^{-1}g_{k+1})}{h_k}$ one may obtain g_{k+1} .

Iteration allows to recover $(g_k, \xi_k, \mu_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ from

either (g_0, g_1) , or (g_0, ξ_0) or (g_0, μ_0) (Initial data)

Euler-Poincaré in field equations

Fields: Sections $y(x) \in \Gamma(Y)$ of bundle $\pi: Y \rightarrow X$ (x^ν, y^i) fibered local coordinates

X oriented by volume element $\text{vol}_X = dx^1 \wedge \dots \wedge dx^n \in \Omega^n(X)$

$j\pi: JY \rightarrow X$ associated **jet bundle** (x^ν, y^i, y_ν^i) induced local coordinates

Lagrangian function $\mathcal{L}(x^\nu, y^i, y_\nu^i): JY \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow$ Lagrangian density $\mathcal{L} \cdot \text{vol}_X \Rightarrow$

Action functional $\mathbb{L}_K(y) = \int_K \mathcal{L} \circ jy \cdot \text{vol}_X$ on compact domains $K \subset X$

Necessary condition for $y \in \Gamma(Y)$ to minimize \mathbb{L}_K (with respect to variations of y vanishing at ∂K) is $0 = \mathcal{E}\mathcal{L}(y) \in \Gamma(y^*V^*Y)$ (**Euler-Lagrange equations**)

$$\mathcal{E}\mathcal{L}_x(y) = \left[\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial y^i}(j_x y) - \sum_\nu \left(\frac{d}{dx^\nu} \right)_x \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial y_\nu^i}(jy) \right] dy^i \in V_{y(x)}^* Y$$

Infinitesimal symmetries have corresponding conserved currents (Noether)

Euler-Poincaré in field equations

Particular case: Smooth proper free action $\lambda: G \times P \rightarrow P$ of Lie group G on manifold P .

$\pi^G: p \in P \mapsto Gp \in P/G = X$ **principal G -bundle**

$\pi_{\text{Gau}}: \text{Gau } P \rightarrow X$ bundle of G -covariant automorphisms of P

$$\phi_x: P_x \leftrightarrow P_x, \quad \phi_x(gp_x) = g\phi_x(p_x), \quad \forall g \in G, \phi_x \in (\text{Gau } P)_x$$

$\pi_{\text{Ad}}: \text{Ad } P = VP/G \rightarrow X$ bundle of π^G -vertical G -invariant vector fields on P

$$a_x \in \mathfrak{X}(P_x), \quad \lambda_g a_x = a_x \quad \forall g \in G, \forall a_x \in (\text{Ad } P)_x$$

$\exp: (\epsilon, A_x) \in \mathbb{R} \times \text{Ad } P \rightarrow \exp \epsilon A_x \in \text{Gau } P$ ($\text{Id}^* V \text{Gau } P \simeq \text{Ad } P$)

$$0 \rightarrow P \times_X \text{Ad } P \rightarrow VP \rightarrow 0$$

$$(p_x, A_x) \mapsto (d/d\epsilon)_{\epsilon=0}(\exp \epsilon A_x)(p_x)$$

Euler-Lagrange equations for $\mathcal{L}: JP \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$:

$$VP \simeq P \times_X \text{Ad } P \Rightarrow p^* V^* P \simeq \text{Ad}^* P \Rightarrow \mathcal{E}\mathcal{L}(p) \in \Gamma(\text{Ad}^* P)$$

Euler-Poincaré in field equations

Existence of symmetries for a Lagrangian $\mathcal{L}: JP \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$? Two particular cases:

- Subgroup of the infinite-dimensional gauge group $\Gamma(\text{Gau } P)$, given by Gauge transformations $\phi: P \rightarrow P$ such that $\mathcal{L} \circ j\phi = \mathcal{L}$.
- Subgroup H of the Lie group G given by group elements $h \in G$ such that $\mathcal{L} \circ j\lambda_h = \mathcal{L}$.

Reduction by closed subgroup $H \subseteq G$

$$JP/H \simeq (P/H) \times_{P/G} (JP/G)$$

• $\pi_{H\text{Str}}: H\text{Str} = P/H \rightarrow X$ bundle of H -structures

$\pi^H: P \rightarrow P/H$ principal H -bundle $P^{H\text{Str}}$ with $H\text{Str}$ as base manifold

$\pi_{\text{Ad}}^H: \text{Ad } P^{H\text{Str}} = VP/H \rightarrow H\text{Str}$ bundle of π^H -vertical H -invariant vector fields on P

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Ad } P^{H\text{Str}} \rightarrow \underset{X}{H\text{Str}} \times \text{Ad } P \rightarrow VH\text{Str} \rightarrow 0$$

• $\pi_{\text{CP}}: JP/G = \text{CP} \rightarrow P/G = X$. Its sections $\chi \in \Gamma(JP/G)$ are in one-to-one

correspondence with principal connections on P . (CP bundle of principal connections)

CP is an affine bundle modelled on $T^*X \otimes \text{Ad } P$, therefore $V\text{CP} \simeq \text{CP} \times_X (T^*X \otimes \text{Ad } P)$

$$q^* VH\text{Str} \simeq \text{Ad } P/q^* \text{Ad } P^{H\text{Str}} \quad \chi^* V\text{CP} \simeq T^*X \otimes \text{Ad } P$$

Euler-Poincaré in field equations

Particular case: Smooth proper free action of Lie group G on manifold P .

$\pi: P \rightarrow P/G = X$ principal G -bundle;

Closed subgroup $H \subset G$ acts as symmetries of Lagrangian $\mathcal{L}: JP \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

Reduction of configuration bundle:

$\pi_{\text{CP}}: JP/G = \text{CP} \rightarrow P/G = X$ bundle of principal connections

$\pi_{\text{HStr}}: \text{HStr} = P/H \rightarrow X$ bundle of H -structures

$JP/H \simeq \text{HStr} \times_X \text{CP} \rightarrow X$ bundle of H -reduced fields.

Reduction of a field:

$p \in \Gamma(P) \Rightarrow \chi = \pi^G \circ jp \in \Gamma(JP/G) = \Gamma(\text{CP})$ induced principal connection

$p \in \Gamma(P) \Rightarrow q = \pi^H \circ p \in \Gamma(P/H) = \Gamma(\text{HStr})$ induced H -structure

(q, χ) generated from $p \in \Gamma(P) \Rightarrow$ Flat connection, Parallel H -structure:

$$\text{Curv}\chi = 0, \quad d^X q = 0$$

Local reconstruction of p is possible from $(q, \chi) \in \Gamma(\text{HStr} \times_X \text{CP})$ if and only if the connection is flat and the H -structure is parallel.

Euler-Poincaré in field equations

Reduced variational principle (Recall $JP/H = H\text{Str} \times_X \text{CP}$)

Choice of reduced Lagrangian $\ell: H\text{Str} \times_X \text{CP} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ (or H -invariant $\mathcal{L}: JP \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$)

Choice of admissible H -reduced fields $(q, \chi) \in \Gamma(H\text{Str} \times_X \text{CP})$ of the particular form

$$\text{Flatness: } \text{Curv}\chi = 0, \text{ Parallelism: } d^X q = 0$$

Choice of admissible infinitesimal variations $(\delta_a q, \delta_a \chi) \in \Gamma(q^* V H\text{Str}) \oplus \Gamma(\chi^* V \text{CP}) \simeq \Gamma(\text{Ad } P/q^* \text{Ad } P^{H\text{Str}}) \oplus \Gamma(T^* X \otimes \text{Ad } P)$ of the particular form

$$\delta_a q = \pi_q(a), \quad \delta_a \chi = d^X a, \text{ compactly supported } a \in \Gamma(\text{Ad } P)$$

Relevant difference:

Substitution of arbitrary fields $p(x) \in \Gamma(P)$ and variations with compact support

$\delta p \in \Gamma^c(p^* VP)$ by H -reduced field $(q(x), \chi(x)) \in \Gamma(H\text{Str} \times_X \text{CP})$ with a

flatness+parallelism constraint, and a reduced family of infinitesimal variations.

The new formulation admits new global fields, not represented by global “potentials”

$$p \in \Gamma(P)$$

Euler-Poincaré in field equations

Theorem [Castrillon,Ratiu 2003]

Fix $\ell: H\text{Str} \times_X \text{CP} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ (H -reduced lagrangian), $\mathcal{L} = \ell \circ \pi^H: JP \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

The following are **equivalent for** $p \in \Gamma(P)$ **and induced** $(q, \chi) \in \Gamma(H\text{Str} \times_X \text{CP})$

1. $\delta \int \mathcal{L} \circ jp \cdot \text{vol}_X = 0$ holds for variations δp with compact support.
2. $p \in \Gamma(P)$ satisfies **Euler-Lagrange equations** $0 = \mathcal{E}\mathcal{L}(p) \in \Gamma(p^*VP)$ assoc.to \mathcal{L} .
3. $\delta \int \ell \circ (q, \chi) \cdot \text{vol}_X = 0$ holds for the subset $\text{Var}_{q, \chi}$ of variations with the form
$$\delta_a q = \pi_q(a) \in \Gamma(\text{Ad } P/q^* \text{Ad } P^{H\text{Str}}) = \Gamma(q^*VH\text{Str}),$$
$$\delta_a \chi = d^\chi a \in \Gamma(T^*X \otimes \text{Ad } P) = \Gamma(\chi^*\text{CP})$$
with compactly supported $a \in \Gamma(\text{Ad } P)$
4. (q, χ) satisfy **Euler-Poincaré equations** $0 = \mathcal{E}\mathcal{P}(q, \chi)$, where

$$\mathcal{E}\mathcal{P}(q, \chi) = \left(\frac{\partial \ell}{\partial q}(q, \chi) \right) \circ \pi_q - \text{div}_\chi \left(\frac{\partial \ell}{\partial \chi}(q, \chi) \right) \in \Gamma(\text{Ad}^* P)$$

Here $\pi_q: \text{Ad } P \rightarrow \text{Ad } P/q^* \text{Ad } P^{H\text{Str}} \simeq q^*VH\text{Str}$, $d^\chi: J \text{Ad } P \rightarrow T^*X \otimes \text{Ad } P \simeq \chi^*V\text{CP}$

Discrete model of space: CFK simplicial partition of space.

Discrete model of timeline for mechanics: Totally ordered countable set V . (Abstract but indexed by points $x = k \in \mathbb{Z}$ of the real line \mathbb{R}). Specific events given as monotone sequence $(t_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$, generating a partition of smooth timeline into temporal intervals.

Discrete model of base manifold for field theories? Specific nodes as $(x_v)_{v \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \subset X$

Simplicial complex structure on \mathbb{Z}^n : Removing from \mathbb{R}^n hyperplanes

$$x^i = c \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad x^{i_1} - x^{i_2} = c \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Taking the closure of its connected components: Partition into affine simplices

$$\bar{K}_{v,\sigma} = \{v + \epsilon_1 e_{\sigma(1)} + \dots + \epsilon_n e_{\sigma(n)}, 1 \geq \epsilon_1 \geq \epsilon_2 \geq \dots \geq \epsilon_n \geq 0\}$$

$$\text{Ext}(\bar{K}_{v,\sigma}) = \{v_0, v_1, \dots, v_n\}, \quad v_0 = v, v_k = v_{k-1} + e_{\sigma(k)}$$

$$(v \in \mathbb{Z}^n, \sigma \in \text{Sym}_n)$$

Abstract Coxeter-Freudenthal-Kuhn (CFK) facet: Sequence of $n + 1$ points

$(v_0, \dots, v_n) \subset \mathbb{Z}^n$ with $v_k = v_{k-1} + e_{\sigma(k)}$ for some permutation $\sigma \in \text{Sym}_n$.

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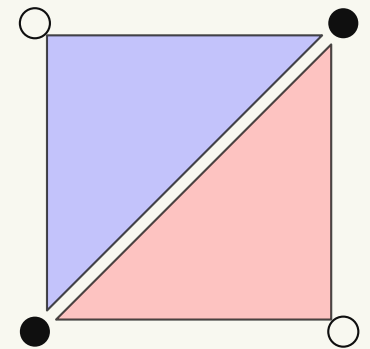
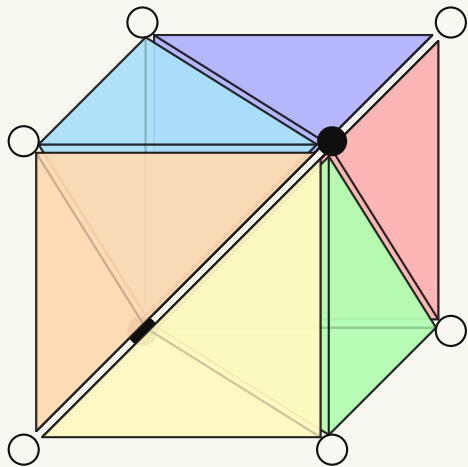
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3D and 2D CFK simplicial partitions on a single cube/square, respectively

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Abstract CFK k -dimensional simplex: Subsequence of $k + 1$ points $(v_{i_0}, \dots, v_{i_k}) \subset \mathbb{Z}^n$

$(0 \leq i_0 < \dots < i_k \leq n)$ of some abstract CFK facet (v_0, \dots, v_n)

CFK Simplicial Complex: Family \mathcal{V} of all abstract CFK simplices.

Set \mathcal{V} of all abstract CFK simplices.

$V^k = \{\alpha \in \mathcal{V} : \dim \alpha = k\} \subset \mathcal{V}$ $(V = V^0 = \mathbb{Z}^n)$

$\beta = (v_0, \dots, v_n) \in V^n \subset \mathcal{V}$ **CFK facet.**

$\alpha = (v_0, v_1) \in V^1 \subset \mathcal{V}$ **CFK edge.**

Topology arises from a natural adherence notion: $\alpha \prec \beta$ (being a subsequence)

DEFINE: $V^{\times k} = V \times \dots \times V$ ($k+1$) copies

OBSERVE: $V^k \subset V^{\times k}$

Natural projectors $\pi_{i_0 \dots i_k} : V^j \rightarrow V^k$ ($0 \leq i_0 < \dots < i_k \leq j$)

$\{\pi_i(\beta)\}_{0 \leq i \leq k}$ adherent vertices

$\{\pi_{i_0 i_1}(\beta)\}_{0 \leq i_0 < i_1 \leq k}$ adherent edges of $\beta \in V^k$

Discrete variational principles on simplicial complexes

Discrete bundle on V : Projection $Y_d \rightarrow V$ whose fibers Y_v are smooth manifolds.

Vertical bundle $VY_d \rightarrow Y_d$, with fiber $(VY_d)_{y_v} = T_{y_v} Y_v$

Discrete field on Y_d : Section $y_d: v \in V \mapsto y_v \in Y_d$

Infinitesimal variation of $y_d \in \Gamma(Y_d)$: Section of discrete bundle $y_d^* VY_d \rightarrow V$

Any discrete bundle $Y_d \rightarrow V$ induces an

Extended bundle $Y_d^k \rightarrow V^k$ (Restriction of $(Y_d)^{\times k} \rightarrow V^{\times k}$ to $V^k \subset V^{\times k}$)

Discrete jet bundle: $Y_d^n \rightarrow V^n$.

Jet extension of discrete fields: $y_d \in \Gamma(Y_d) \Rightarrow y_d^n \in \Gamma(Y_d^n)$

$\beta = (v_0, \dots, v_n) \in V^n \subset V^{\times n} \Rightarrow y_\beta^n = (y_{v_0}, \dots, y_{v_n}) \in Y_d^n \subset (Y_d)^{\times n}$

Discrete Lagrangian $\mathcal{L}_d: Y_d^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$. Family $(\mathcal{L}_\beta)_{\beta \in V^n}$ of smooth functions

$$\mathcal{L}_\beta: Y_\beta^n = Y_{v_0} \times Y_{v_1} \times \dots \times Y_{v_n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad \beta = (v_0, \dots, v_n) \in V^n \subset V^{\times n}$$

Differential at $y_\beta^n = (y_0, \dots, y_n) \in Y_d^n$ of a Discrete Lagrangian $\mathcal{L}_d: Y_d^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$:

$$d_{y_\beta^n} \mathcal{L}_\beta = (d_{y_\beta^n}^0 \mathcal{L}_\beta, \dots, d_{y_\beta^n}^n \mathcal{L}_\beta) \in T_{y_0}^* Y_{\pi_0(\beta)} \oplus \dots \oplus T_{y_n}^* Y_{\pi_n(\beta)}$$

Discrete variational principles on simplicial complexes

Action functional associated to \mathcal{L}_d and finite domain $K \subset V^n$:

$$\mathbb{L}_K : y_d \in \Gamma(Y_d) \mapsto \sum_{\beta \in K} (\mathcal{L}_d \circ y_d^n)(\beta)$$

$$d_{y_d} \mathbb{L}_K : \delta y_d \in \Gamma(y_d^* V Y_d) \mapsto \sum_{\beta \in K} (d\mathcal{L}_d \circ \delta y_d^n)(\beta)$$

Criticality: For any given discrete bundle $Y_d \rightarrow V$ on the n -dimensional CFK simplicial complex, and any given discrete Lagrangian $\mathcal{L}_d : Y_d^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ we say $y_d \in \Gamma(Y_d)$ is critical for the variational principle associated to \mathcal{L}_d , with fixed boundary variations, if $\langle d_{y_d} \mathbb{L}_K, \delta y_d \rangle$ vanishes for infinitesimal variations $\delta y_d \in \bigoplus_{v \in \text{int } K} T_{y_v} Y_v \subset \Gamma(y_d^* V Y_d)$ with support interior to K , for each finite domain $K \subset V^n$.

THEOREM: A section $y_d \in \Gamma(Y_d)$ is **critical** for the variational principle associated to \mathcal{L}_d , with fixed boundary variations, if and only if the **discrete Euler-Lagrange tensor** $\mathcal{E}\mathcal{L}_d(y_d) \in \Gamma(y_d^* V^* Y_d)$ vanishes, where:

$$\mathcal{E}\mathcal{L}_v(y_d) = \sum_{\beta \in \text{Star}_v^n} d_{y_\beta^n}^{I(v, \beta)} \mathcal{L}_\beta \in T_{y_v}^* Y_v$$

H-reduction of discrete jet bundle

Particular case: Discrete principal G -bundle $P_d \rightarrow V$.

Difference of two elements p_0, p_1 on P_d can be computed as:

- Group element $g \in G$ such that $gp_0 = p_1$ (**group difference** $g = p_1 p_0^{-1}$).
Existence only if $\pi(p_0) = \pi(p_1)$. Uniqueness.
- G -covariant morphism $\psi: P_d \rightarrow P_d$ such that $\psi(p_0) = p_1$ (**gauge difference**).
Existence; Not unique but on the G -orbit of p_0 determined by $\psi(\bar{p}_0) = (\bar{p}_0 p_0^{-1}) p_1$.

For $p_0 \in P_v$ and $p_1 \in P_d$ denote $p_0^{-1} p_1$ the uniquely defined G -covariant morphism defined on the single G -orbit P_v such that $\psi(p_0) = p_1$.

Use reversed notation $\bar{p}\psi$ instead of $\psi(\bar{p})$, $\psi \circ \bar{\psi} = \bar{\psi}\psi$

Ehresmann's bundle $\text{End } P_d$ of fiber-to-fiber endomorphisms associated to $P_d \rightarrow V$:

$\text{End } P_d = \{\psi: P_v \rightarrow P_d \text{ domain a single fiber, } \psi \circ \lambda_g = \lambda_g \circ \psi\}$ groupoid

Source+Target: $(s, t): \text{End } P_d \rightarrow V \times V$ $\text{Dom}(\psi) = P_{s(\psi)}, \text{ Im}(\psi) = P_{t(\psi)}$

Restrict $\text{End } P_d \rightarrow V \times V$ to diagonal $\Rightarrow \text{Gau } P_d \rightarrow V$ gauge bundle.

H-reduction of discrete jet bundle

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Source+Target: $(s, t): \text{End } P_d \rightarrow V \times V$

Fibered product $(\text{End } P_d)^{\times_s k-1}$ of k fiber-to-fiber endomorphisms with common source.

$$(s, t_1, \dots, t_k): (\text{End } P_d)^{\times_s k-1} \rightarrow V^{\times k}$$

Extension to simplices: Restrict to $V^k \subseteq V^{\times k} \Rightarrow (s, t_1, \dots, t_k): \text{End}^k P_d \rightarrow V^k, .$

$\text{End}^n P_d \rightarrow V^n$ **extended Ehresmann bundle on facets** of the CFK simplicial complex

$$(\psi_i: P_{v_0} \rightarrow P_{v_i})_{i=1\dots n}, (v_0, v_1, \dots, v_n) \in V^n \subset V \times \dots \times V$$

$\text{End}^1 P_d \rightarrow V^1$ **Ehresmann bundle on edges** of the CFK simplicial complex

$$\psi: P_{v_0} \rightarrow P_{v_1}, (v_0, v_1) \in V^1 \subset V \times V$$

PROPOSITION: The Gauge difference mapping $(p_0, p_1) \in P_d^1 \rightarrow p_0^{-1} p_1 \in \text{End}^1 P_d$ has as fibers the orbits of G acting diagonally $(p_0, p_1) \mapsto (gp_0, gp_1)$ on P_d^1 .

$$\pi^G: P_d^1 \rightarrow P_d^1/G \simeq \text{End}^1 P_d$$

H-reduction of discrete jet bundle

PROPOSITION: The projectors $\pi_0: P_d^n \rightarrow P_d$, and $\pi^G \circ \pi_{0i}: P_d^n \rightarrow \text{End}^1 P_d$ determine a natural identification $P_d^n \simeq P_d \times_{(\pi, s)} \text{End}^n P_d$. Under this identification the diagonal action $\lambda_g^{\times n}$ on P_d^n is identified by the action $\lambda_g \times \text{Id}_{\text{End}^n P_d}$.

COROLLARY: For any closed subgroup $H \subseteq G$

$$P_d^n / H \simeq H\text{Str}_d \times_{(\pi_{H\text{Str}}, s)} \text{End}^n P_d$$

Where $\pi_{H\text{Str}}: H\text{Str}_d = P_d/H \rightarrow V$ is the discrete bundle of H -structures, $\text{End}^n P_d \rightarrow V^n$ is the extended Ehresmann bundle on facets, and we consider a fibered product over the source mapping $s: \text{End}^n P_d \rightarrow V$, leading to a bundle on the set of facets $V \times_s V^n = V^n$.

Remark: $s: \text{End}^n P_d \rightarrow V$ is the analogue for discrete field theories of the bundle of principal connections $CP \rightarrow X$ that exists in the smooth field theories on principal G -bundles.

H-reduction of discrete jet bundle

Calculus of variations: Introduce the discrete Lagrangian function $\mathcal{L}_d: P_d^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

We call trivialised form associated to $\mathcal{L}_d(p_0, p_1, \dots, p_n)$, the function $\mathcal{L}_d(p_0, \psi_1, \dots, \psi_n)$

determined by \mathcal{L}_d using the natural identification $P_d^n \simeq P_d \times_{(\pi, s)} \text{End}^n P_d$

Discrete Lagrangian functions that are **invariant for H acting diagonally** on P_d^n are in one-to-one correspondence with smooth functions $\ell_d(q_0, \psi_1, \dots, \psi_n)$ defined on the bundle of H -reduced discrete jets

$$RJP_d = H\text{Str}_d \times_{(\pi_{H\text{Str}}, s)} \text{End}^n P_d \rightarrow V^n$$

These $\ell_d: RJP_d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are called **H -reduced discrete Lagrangian functions**

RECALL $VP_d/G = \text{Ad } P_d \rightarrow P_d/G = V$ discrete adjoint bundle associated to P_d

PROPOSITION: The differential of the Gauge difference mapping $\pi^G: P_d^1 \rightarrow \text{End}^1 P_d$

determines a natural identification (source trivialisation):

$$s^* \text{Ad } P_d \simeq V \text{End}^1 P_d$$

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RECALL $P_d \rightarrow P_d/H = H\text{Str}_d$ principal H -bundle $P^{H\text{Str}}$

PROPOSITION: The differential of the quotient mapping $\pi^H: P_d \rightarrow H\text{Str}_d$ determines an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Ad } P^{H\text{Str}} \rightarrow \pi_{H\text{Str}}^* \text{Ad } P_d \rightarrow VH\text{Str}_d \rightarrow 0$$

H-reduction of discrete jet bundle

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PROPOSITION: Source trivialisation $V \text{End}^1 P_d \simeq s^* \text{Ad} P_d$ determines

$$V_{(q_0, \psi_1, \dots, \psi_n)} RJP_d = (\text{Ad} P_{v_0} / \text{Ad} P_{q_0}^{H\text{Str}}) \oplus \bigoplus_{i=1}^n \text{Ad} P_{v_0}$$

and a natural immersion

$$V_{(q_0, \psi_1, \dots, \psi_n)}^* RJP_d \subseteq \text{Ad}^* P_{v_0} \oplus \bigoplus_{i=1}^n \text{Ad}^* P_{v_0} = \bigoplus_{i=0}^n \text{Ad}^* P_{v_0}$$

(first component vanishes on $\text{Ad} P_{q_0}^{H\text{Str}} \subset \text{Ad} P_{v_0}$).

H-reduction of discrete jet bundle

Calculus of variations: Introduce the discrete Lagrangian function $\mathcal{L}_d: P_d^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

We call trivialised form associated to $\mathcal{L}_d(p_0, p_1, \dots, p_n)$, the function $\mathcal{L}_d(p_0, \psi_1, \dots, \psi_n)$

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DEFINE: For any H -reduced discrete lagrangian function $\ell_d: RJP_d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, its differential

$d_{rj} \ell_d$ at any H -reduced discrete jet $rj = (q_0, \psi_1, \dots, \psi_n) \in RJP_d$ determines $n + 1$ linear forms on $\text{Ad} P_{s(rj)}$ that we denote:

$$\partial_{rj}^0 \ell_d, \partial_{rj}^{01} \ell_d, \dots, \partial_{rj}^{0n} \ell_d \in \text{Ad}^* P_{s(rj)}$$

Discrete Euler-Poincaré equations in H -reduced coordinates

Theorem: If $\mathcal{L}_d: P_d^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is the discrete Lagrangian function $\mathcal{L}_d = \ell_d \circ \pi^H$ determined using the natural projector $P_d^n \rightarrow P_d^n/H = RJP_d$ and any H -reduced discrete Lagrangian function $\ell_d: RJP_d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, then the discrete Euler-Lagrange tensor $\mathcal{E}\mathcal{L}_d(p) \in \Gamma(p^*V^*P_d)$ associated to \mathcal{L}_d and a section $p \in \Gamma(P_d)$, using the identification $VP_d \simeq P_d \times_V \text{Ad } P_d$, takes the specific form:

$$\mathcal{E}\mathcal{L}_v(p) = \sum_{\pi_0(\beta)=v} \partial_{rj_\beta}^0 \ell_\beta + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\pi_0(\beta)=v} \partial_{rj_\beta}^{0i} \ell_\beta - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\pi_i(\beta)=v} \text{Ad}_{\psi_{\pi_{0i}(\beta)}}^* \partial_{rj_\beta}^{0i} \ell_\beta \in \Gamma(\text{Ad}^* P_d)$$

where $rj_\beta \in RJP_d$ is the π^H -projection of $p_\beta^n \in P_d^n$ and $\text{Ad}_\psi^*: \text{Ad}^* P_{s(\psi)} \rightarrow \text{Ad}^* P_{t(\psi)}$ is transpose to $\text{Ad}_\psi^{-1}: \text{Ad } P_{t(\psi)} \rightarrow \text{Ad } P_{s(\psi)}$, induced by $\psi^{-1}: P_{t(\psi)} \rightarrow P_{s(\psi)}$

DEFINE: For any $q \in \Gamma(H\text{Str}_d)$ and $\psi \in \Gamma(\text{End}^1 P_d)$ call **Discrete Euler-Poincaré tensor** $\mathcal{E}\mathcal{P}_d(q, \psi) \in \Gamma(\text{Ad}^* P_d)$ associated to (q, ψ) :

$$\mathcal{E}\mathcal{P}_v(q, \psi) = \sum_{\pi_0(\beta)=v} \partial_{rj_\beta}^0 \ell_\beta + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\pi_0(\beta)=v} \partial_{rj_\beta}^{0i} \ell_\beta - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\pi_i(\beta)=v} \text{Ad}_{\psi_{\pi_{0i}(\beta)}}^* \partial_{rj_\beta}^{0i} \ell_\beta$$

$$\beta = (v_0, v_1, \dots, v_n) \Rightarrow rj_\beta = (q_{v_0}, \psi_{v_0 v_1}, \dots, \psi_{v_0 v_n})$$

Discrete Euler-Poincaré equations in H -reduced coordinates

Any discrete field on a discrete principal G -bundle $p \in \Gamma(P_d)$ determines a discrete principal connection $\psi \in \Gamma(\text{End}^1 P_d)$ and a discrete H -structure $q \in \Gamma(H\text{Str}_d)$ by:

$$\psi_\alpha = \pi^G(p_{s(\alpha)}, p_{t(\alpha)}) = p_{s(\alpha)}^{-1} p_{t(\alpha)} \quad q_v = \pi^H(p_v) = H p_v$$

DEFINE: We call **H -reduced discrete field** any pair $(q, \psi) \in \Gamma(H\text{Str}_d) \times \Gamma(\text{End}^1 P_d)$.

The H -reduced field (q, ψ) associated to $p \in \Gamma(P_d)$ is called the **projected field**.

REMARK: For projected fields there holds (compatibility conditions)

- **Parallelism:** $q_{v_0} \psi_{v_0 v_1} = q_{v_1}$ for any edge $(v_0, v_1) \in V^1$
- **Flatness:** $\psi_{v_0 v_1} \psi_{v_1 v_2} = \psi_{v_0 v_2}$ for any 2-simplex $(v_0, v_1, v_2) \in V^2 \subset V^{\times 2}$

Parallelism+Flatness conditions $\Rightarrow (q, \psi)$ is called **admissible**

Discrete Euler-Poincaré equations in H -reduced coordinates

Variational principle:

Choice of discrete H -reduced Lagrangian $\ell_d: RJP_d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Choice of admissible discrete H -reduced fields $(q, \psi) \in (\Gamma(H\text{Str}_d) \times \Gamma(\text{End}^1 P_d))_{\text{Adm}}$

Flatness + Parallelism

Choice of subset of admissible variations $\delta_a rj = (\delta_a q, \delta_a \psi) \in \text{Var}_{q, \chi}$ with the form

$$\delta_a \psi_\alpha = a_{s(\psi_\alpha)} - \text{Ad}_{\psi_\alpha^{-1}} a_{t(\psi_\alpha)} \in \Gamma(\psi^* V \text{End}^1 P_d) \simeq \Gamma(s^* \text{Ad} P_d),$$

$$\delta_a q_v = \pi_q(a) \in \Gamma(q^* V H\text{Str}_d) \simeq \Gamma(\text{Ad} P_d / q^* \text{Ad} P^{H\text{Str}})$$

with compactly supported $a \in \Gamma(\text{Ad} P_d)$

Seek admissible discrete H -reduced fields (q, ψ) such that its H -reduced discrete jet extension $rj \in \Gamma(RJP_d)$ is a critical point of the discrete action $\sum_K \ell_d(rj)$, for admissible discrete variations $\delta_a rj$ with $a \in \oplus \text{Ad} P_v \subset \Gamma(\text{Ad} P_d)$, vanishing at the boundary of K .

Discrete Euler-Poincaré equations in H -reduced coordinates

Theorem [CasimRodr]

Fix $\ell_d: H\text{Str}_d \times_s \text{End}^n P_d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ (discrete H -reduced lagrangian), $\mathcal{L}_d = \ell_d \circ \pi^H: JP_d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

The following are equivalent for $p_d \in \Gamma(P_d)$ and associated $(q, \psi) \in \Gamma(H\text{Str}_d \times_s \text{End}^n P_d)$

1. $\delta \int \mathcal{L}_d \circ p_d^n = 0$ holds for variations δp_d with compact support.
2. $p_d \in \Gamma(P_d)$ satisfies **discrete Euler-Lagrange equations** $0 = \mathcal{E}\mathcal{L}_d(p_d) \in \Gamma(p_d^*VP_d)$ associated to \mathcal{L}_d .
3. $\delta \int \ell_d \circ rj(q, \psi) \cdot \text{vol}_X = 0$ holds for the subset $\text{Var}_{q, \chi}$ of variations with the form
$$\delta_a \psi_\alpha = a_{s(\psi_\alpha)} - \text{Ad}_{\psi_\alpha^{-1}} a_{t(\psi_\alpha)} \in \Gamma(\psi^* \text{End}^1 P_d) \simeq \Gamma(s^* \text{Ad} P_d),$$
$$\delta_a q_v = \pi_q(a) \in \Gamma(q^* VH\text{Str}_d) \simeq \Gamma(\text{Ad} P_d / q^* \text{Ad} P^{H\text{Str}})$$
with compactly supported $a \in \Gamma(\text{Ad} P_d)$
4. (q, ψ) satisfy **discrete Euler-Poincaré equations** $0 = \mathcal{E}\mathcal{P}_d(q, \psi)$ associated to ℓ_d

Covariant discretization for reduced field theories

We have results concerning a smooth variational field theory and the associated variational reduced field theory.

We have results concerning a discrete variational field theory and the associated discrete variational reduced field theory.

Can we give methods to generate discrete formalism from smooth ones? In such a way that symmetries are preserved?

Yes, we can [Casimiro, Rodrigo 2017] but...

Due to time constraints: Not to be treated here.

★ From a single H -covariant Lagrangian \mathcal{L} for field theories on a principal G -bundle $P \rightarrow X$, possibility to generate 4 related variational principles: Classified into smooth/discrete and unreduced/ H -reduced, preserving gauge symmetries.

Integration of discrete EP equations

Consider the H -reduced, discrete case on a discrete principal G -bundle $\pi: P_d \rightarrow X$

Discrete H -reduced fields: Pair of sections $(q, \psi) \in \Gamma(H\text{Str}_d) \times \Gamma(\text{End}^1 P_d)$

Admissible discrete H -reduced fields: Flatness and parallelism

- Parallelism: $q_{v_0} \psi_{v_0 v_1} = q_{v_1}$ for any edge $(v_0, v_1) \in V^1$
- Flatness: $\psi_{v_0 v_1} \psi_{v_1 v_2} = \psi_{v_0 v_2}$ for any 2-simplex $(v_0, v_1, v_2) \in V^2 \subset V^{\times 2}$

Discrete H -reduced Lagrangian $\ell_d: H\text{Str}_d \times_s \text{End}^n P_d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ generates a variational principle for admissible discrete H -reduced fields.

Critical discrete H -reduced fields characterized by $0 = \mathcal{E}\mathcal{P}_d(q, \psi)$

- Disc.E.-P.Tensor $\mathcal{E}\mathcal{P}_d(q, \psi) \in \Gamma(\text{Ad}^* P_d)$ associated to (q, ψ) :

$$\mathcal{E}\mathcal{P}_v(q, \psi) = \sum_{\pi_0(\beta)=v} \partial_{rj_\beta}^0 \ell_\beta + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\pi_0(\beta)=v} \partial_{rj_\beta}^{0i} \ell_\beta - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\pi_i(\beta)=v} \text{Ad}_{\psi_{\pi_0 i}(\beta)}^* \partial_{rj_\beta}^{0i} \ell_\beta$$

$$\beta = (v_0, v_1, \dots, v_n) \in V^n \Rightarrow rj_\beta = (q_{v_0}, \psi_{v_0 v_1}, \dots, \psi_{v_0 v_n}) \in RJP_\beta$$

Integration of discrete EP equations

Integration Problem: Recover unknown $(q, \psi) \in \Gamma(H\text{Str}_d) \times \Gamma(\text{End}^1 P_d)$ from:

- **Parallelism:** $q_{v_0} \psi_{v_0 v_1} = q_{v_1}$ for any edge $(v_0, v_1) \in V^1$
- **Flatness:** $\psi_{v_0 v_1} \psi_{v_1 v_2} = \psi_{v_0 v_2}$ for any 2-simplex $(v_0, v_1, v_2) \in V^2 \subset V^{\times 2}$
- **Criticality**

$$0 = \sum_{\pi_0(\beta)=v} \partial_{rj\beta}^0 \ell_\beta + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\pi_0(\beta)=v} \partial_{rj\beta}^{0i} \ell_\beta - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\pi_i(\beta)=v} \text{Ad}_{\psi_{\pi_{0i}(\beta)}}^* \partial_{rj\beta}^{0i} \ell_\beta$$

for any vertex $v \in V$

Propagate field values from an initial band: Decompose $V = \mathbb{Z}^n$ into slices

$$S_c = \{(k_1, \dots, k_n) \in \mathbb{Z}^n : k_1 + \dots + k_n = c\} \quad (c \in \mathbb{Z})$$

Consider a vertex $u \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ in a given slice S_{c+n} . Assume that all values $q_w, \psi_{v_0 w}$ are known for vertices w in the region $k_1 + \dots + k_n < c + n$.

What can be said about the values q_u and $\psi_{v_0 u}$?

Integration of discrete EP equations

Slices $S_c \subset \mathbb{Z}^n$ defined by $k_1 + \dots + k_n = c$

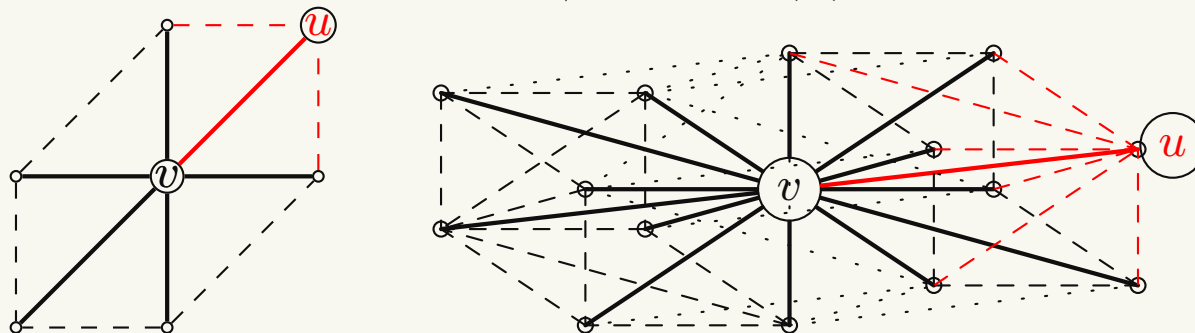
Assume $q_w, \psi_{v_0 w}$ **known for** $w \in V = \mathbb{Z}^n$ **in the region** $k_1 + \dots + k_n < c + n$

Can we **generate** $q_u, \psi_{v_0 u}$ for u in the **region** $k_1 + \dots + k_n = c + n$?

Take Euler-Poincaré equations at $v = u - (1, \dots, 1)$ (hence $v \in S_c$)

$$0 = \sum_{\pi_0(\beta)=v} \partial_{rj_\beta}^0 \ell_\beta + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\pi_0(\beta)=v} \partial_{rj_\beta}^{0i} \ell_\beta - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\pi_i(\beta)=v} \text{Ad}_{\psi_{\pi_0 i(\beta)}}^* \partial_{rj_\beta}^{0i} \ell_\beta$$

Expression $0 = \mathcal{EP}_v(q, \psi)$ only depends on rj_β when $\pi_i(\beta) = v$ for some i . This implies $\pi_0(\beta) \in S_{c-i}$, and rj_β only depends in determined configurations $q_w, \psi_{v_0 w}$ with w in the region $k_1 + \dots + k_n < c + n$, **plus the particular undetermined configuration** ψ_{vu} (that appears in components rj_β when $\pi_0(\beta) = v$).



Integration of discrete EP equations

Decompose Euler-Poincaré equations at v into component that depends on rj_β for $\pi_0(\beta) = v$ and another one that depends on rj_β for $\pi_i(\beta) = v, i = 1 \dots n$:

$$\overbrace{\sum_{\pi_0(\beta)=v} \partial_{rj_\beta}^0 \ell_\beta + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\pi_0(\beta)=v} \partial_{rj_\beta}^{0i} \ell_\beta}^{\text{Leg}_v} = \overbrace{\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\pi_i(\beta)=v} \text{Ad}_{\psi_{\pi_{0i}(\beta)}}^* \partial_{rj_\beta}^{0i} \ell_\beta}^{\text{Mom}_v}$$

q_w, ψ_{v_0w} known in the region $k_1 + \dots + k_n < c + n \Rightarrow$, Right hand side Mom_v is known.

Left hand side Leg_v depends on q_v and on ψ_α for edges $\alpha \in V^1$ with source $s(\alpha) = v$. All these components are also known, except for the particular component ψ_{vu} with $u = v + (1, \dots, 1)$.

If $\dim G = m$ (and consequently $\dim \text{Ad}^* P_v = m, \dim \text{End}^1 P_{uv} = m$) we have a **system of m equations with ψ_{vu} as m -dimensional unknown** that taking into account the dimensions, in some regular cases, will determine a unique solution.

Integration of discrete EP equations

DEFINE: We call space of **discrete H -reduced forward configurations** at $v \in V$ the manifold $\text{Forw}_v^H = H\text{Str}_v \times \prod_{s(\alpha)=v} \text{End}^1 P_\alpha$.

DEFINE: We call **discrete Legendre mapping** associated to a discrete H -reduced Lagrangian ℓ_d , the mapping $\text{Leg}: \text{Forw}_d^H \rightarrow \text{Ad}^* P_d$ defined on each fiber by:

$$\text{Leg}_v: (q_v, (\psi_\alpha)_{s(\alpha)=v}) \in \text{Forw}_v^H \mapsto \sum_{\pi_0(\beta)=v} \partial_{rj_\beta}^0 \ell_\beta + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\pi_0(\beta)=v} \partial_{rj_\beta}^{0i} \ell_\beta \in \text{Ad}^* P_v$$

where $rj_\beta = (q_v, (\psi_\alpha)_{\alpha \prec \beta})$.

The central step in solving discrete Euler-Poincaré equations lies in the determination of a single component $\psi_{\Delta v}$, for some edge $\Delta v = (v, v + (1, \dots, 1)) \in V^1$, using the remaining available configurations (using an underdetermined forward configuration)

DEFINE: We call space of **underdetermined discrete H -reduced forward configurations** at $v \in V$ the manifold $\text{UForw}_v^H = H\text{Str}_v \times \prod_{\substack{s(\alpha)=v \\ \alpha \neq \Delta v}} \text{End}^1 P_\alpha$.

$$\boxed{\text{Forw}_d^H = \text{UForw}_d^H \times_V \Delta^* \text{End}^1 P_d} \quad (\Delta: V \rightarrow V^1)$$

Integration of discrete EP equations

Legendre mapping is a morphism of discrete bundles

$$\text{Leg}: \text{UForw}_d^H \times_V \Delta^* \text{End}^1 P_d \rightarrow \text{Ad}^* P_d$$

DEFINE: We call **integrator for the Legendre mapping**

$\text{Leg}: \text{UForw}_d^H \times \Delta^* \text{End}^1 P_d \rightarrow \text{Ad}^* P_d$, any mapping

$$\Phi: \text{UForw}_d^H \times \text{Ad}^* P_d \rightarrow \Delta^* \text{End}^1 P_d$$

such that, for any $uf_v \in \text{UForw}_d^H$, $\theta_v \in \text{Ad}^* P_v$ there holds,

$$\text{Leg}(uf_v, \Phi(uf_v, \theta_v)) = \theta_v$$

If, moreover, $\text{Leg}(uf_v, \cdot): \Delta^* \text{End}^1 P_d \rightarrow \text{Ad}^* P_d$ is injective, we say the integrator is a strong integrator (in this case the integrator is unique).

Local existence of integrator iff the following linear morphism is non-degenerate

$$\frac{\partial \text{Leg}_v}{\partial \psi_{\Delta v}}: \text{Ad} P_v \rightarrow \text{Ad}^* P_v$$

Integration of discrete EP equations

THEOREM

Let Φ be an integrator for the Legendre mapping. Consider a locally defined admissible H -reduced field $(q, \psi)_c \in \Gamma(B_c, H\text{Str}_d) \times \Gamma(B_c^1, \text{End}^1 P_d)$, **defined on vertices and edges included in the initial condition band** $B_c = S_{c-n} \cup S_{c-n+1} \cup \dots \cup S_{c+n-1}$.

Consider at each $v \in S_c$ the momentum and underdetermined H -reduced forward configuration $\mu_v \in \text{Ad}^* P_v$, $uf_v \in \text{UForw}_v^H$ determined from $(q, \psi)_c$

For $u \in S_{c+n}$ and $v = u - (1, \dots, 1)$, **the values**

$$\psi_{vu} = \Phi_v(uf_v, \mu_v), \quad q_u = q_v \psi_{vu}, \quad \psi_{v_0 u} = \psi_{vv_0}^{-1} \psi_{vu} \quad (1)$$

extend $(q, \psi)_c$ **to** $(q, \psi)_{c+1} \in \Gamma(B_{c+1}, H\text{Str}_d) \times \Gamma(B_{c+1}^1, \text{End}^1 P_d)$, an admissible H -reduced field on the following band $B_{c+1} = S_{c+n} \sqcup B_c \setminus S_{c-n}$.

The discrete field so defined in $B_c \cup C_{c+1}$ **satisfies Euler-Poincaré equations**

$0 = \mathcal{EP}_v(q, \psi)$ **are satisfied at each vertex** $v \in S_c$.

(Uniqueness of solution if Φ is a strong integrator)

Integration algorithm

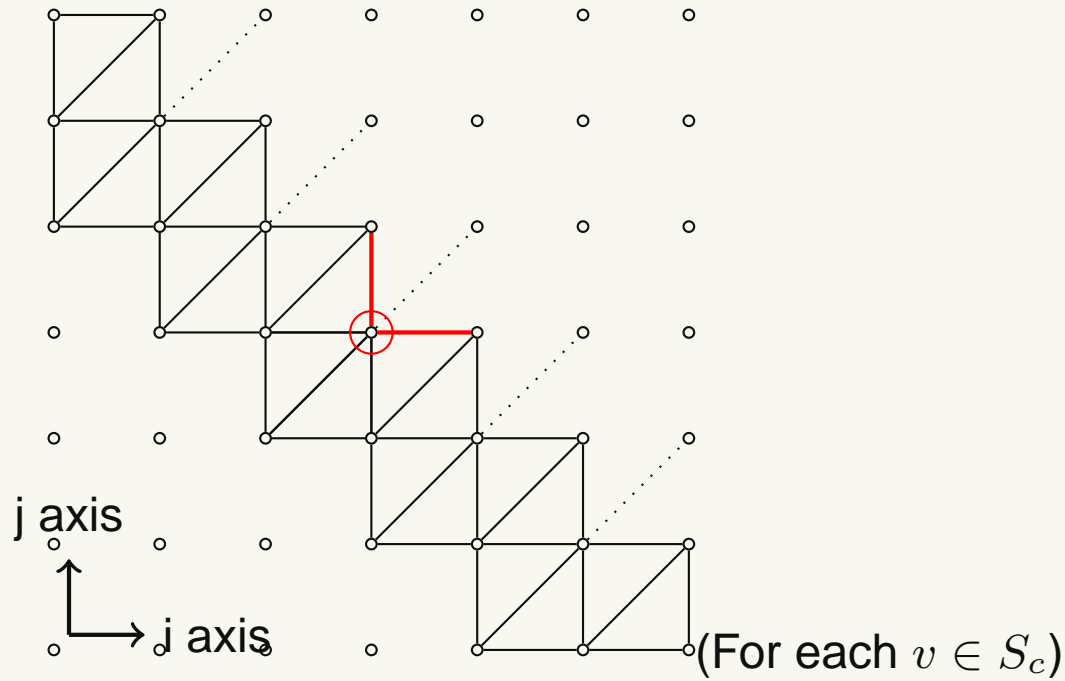
Diagonal slice $S_c \subset V = \mathbb{Z}^n$ given by $k_1 + \dots + k_n = c$ ($c \in \mathbb{Z}$)

Initial data at B_c : Admissible discrete H -reduced field $(q, \psi)_c$ defined on the set

$$B_c = \bigcup_{k=-n}^{n-1} S_{c+k} \text{ (initial band)}$$

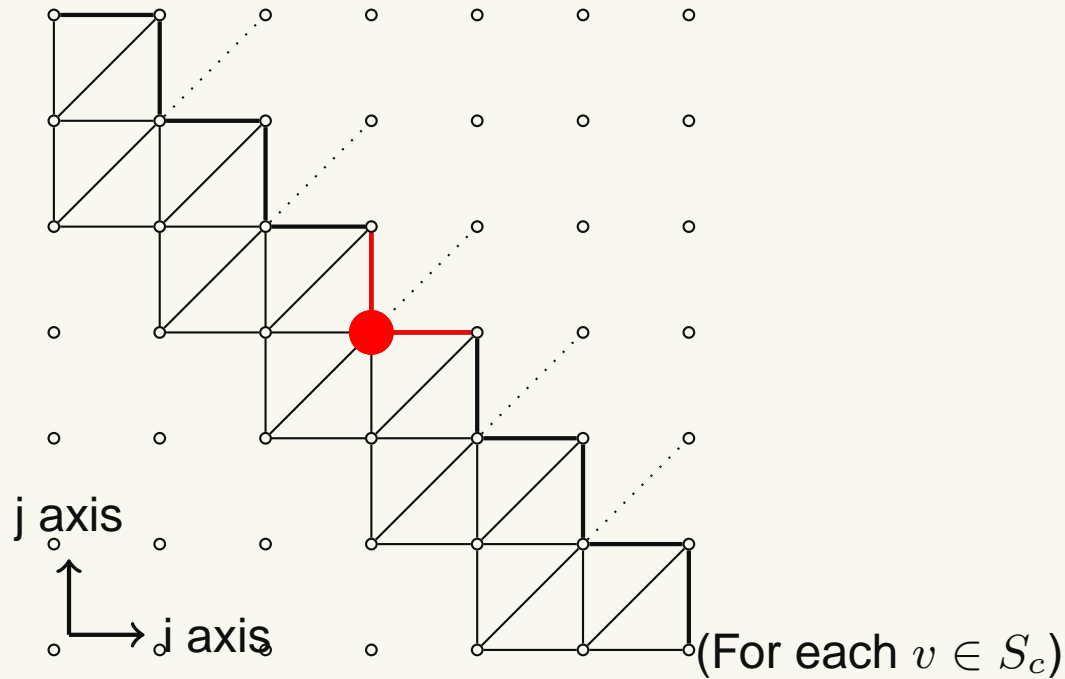
THEOREM: If the Legendre mapping is regular (existence of integrator Φ) then for any initial data at B_c there exists compatible initial data at B_{c+1} determining an admissible discrete field on $\bigcup_{k=-n}^{k=n} S_{c+k}$, for which Euler-Poincaré equations hold at any vertex $v \in S_c$ in its central slice.

Integration algorithm



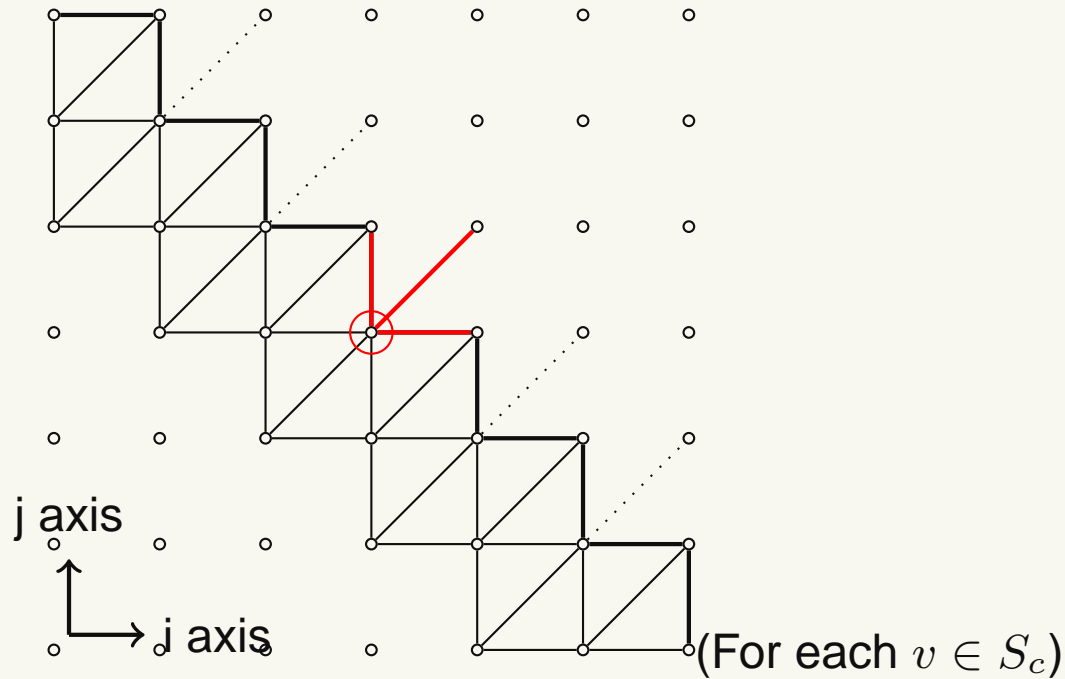
1.- Extract discrete H -reduced underdetermined forward configuration $uf_v \in UForw_v^H$

Integration algorithm



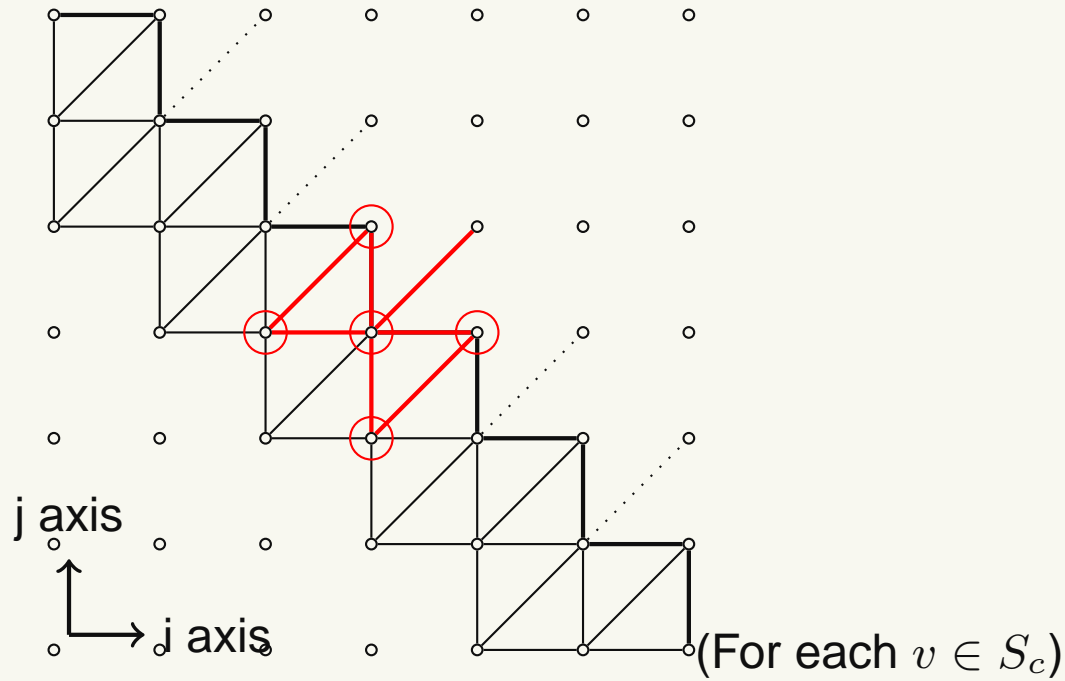
2.- Compute $\mu_v \in \text{Ad}^* P_v$ using the momentum mapping. Obtention of element $(uf_v, \mu_v) \in \text{UForw}_v^H \times \text{Ad}^* P_v$.

Integration algorithm



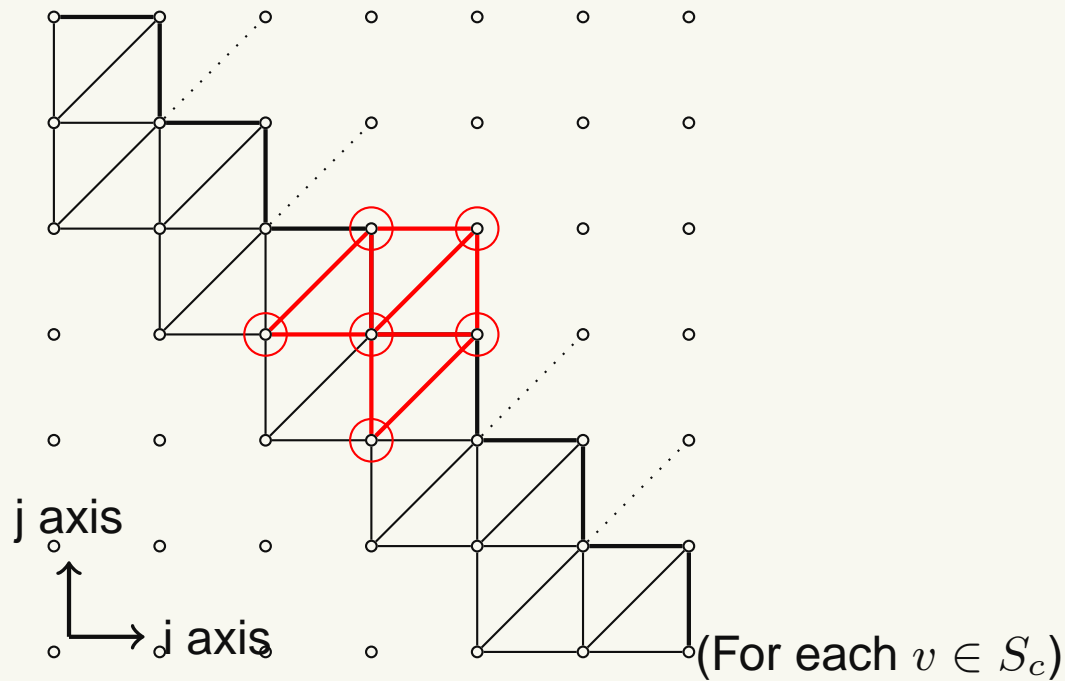
3.- Compute $\psi_{vu} = \Phi_v(uf_v, \mu_v) \in \text{End}^1 P_{\Delta v}$ for $u = v + (1, \dots, 1)$ using the integrator

Integration algorithm



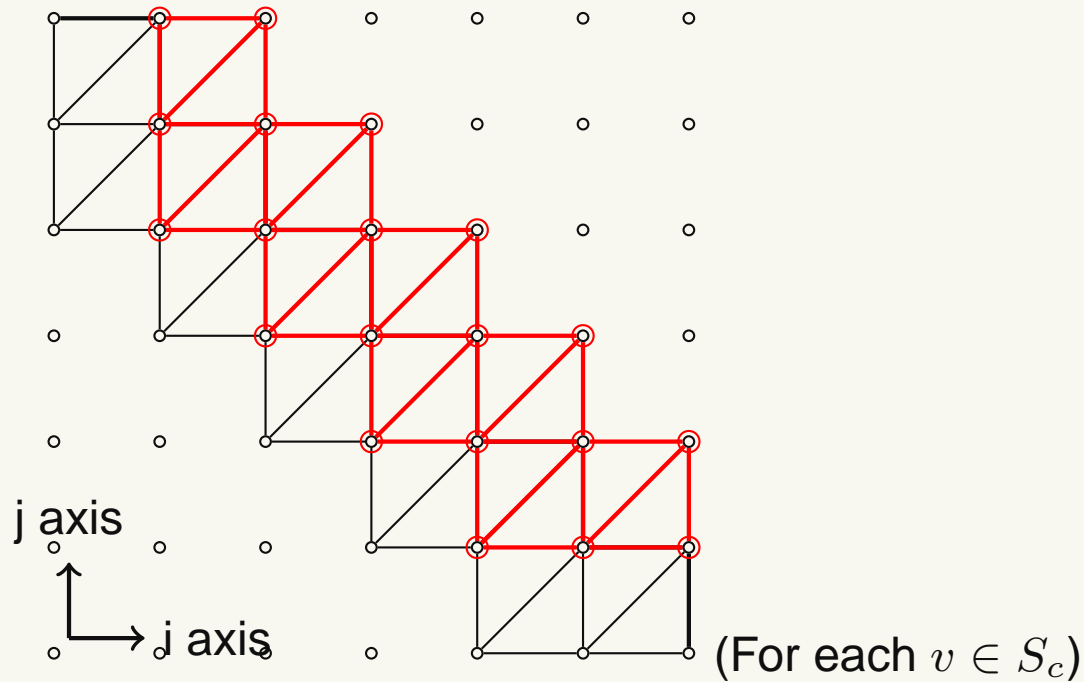
4.- Values q_u and ψ_{wu} for $w, u \in \cup_{k=-n}^{n-2} S_{c+1+k}$ are determined by initial data.

Integration algorithm



5.- Values q_u and ψ_{wu} for $u = v + (1, \dots, 1)$ and $w \in \cup_{k=-n}^{n-2} S_{c+1+k}$ are now determined by parallelism and trivial holonomy, using ψ_{vu} .

Integration algorithm



6.- Collect all H -structures and fiber-to-fiber endomorphisms into new admissible discrete field $(q, \psi)_{c+1}$ defined on $B_{c+1} = \cup_{k=-n}^{n-1} S_{(c+1)+k}$ (new initial band). **Initial data at B_{c+1}**

Integration algorithm

Initial Data: Known $(q, \psi)_c$ defined on $B_c = \cup_{k=-n}^{n-1} S_{c+k}$ (initial condition band)

For each $v \in S_c$

1. Extract undetermined flat configuration $uf_v \in \text{UFlat}_v^H$
2. Compute $\mu_v \in \text{Ad}^* P_v$ using the momentum mapping. Obtention of element in $\text{UForw}_v^H \times \text{Ad}^* P_v$.
3. Compute $\psi_{\Delta v} = \Phi(uf_v, \mu_v) \in \text{End}^1 P_{\Delta v}$ using the integrator
4. Values q_u and ψ_{wu} for $w, u \in \cup_{k=-n}^{n-2} S_{c+1+k}$ are already determined by initial data.
5. Values q_u and ψ_{wu} for $u = v + (1, \dots, 1)$, $w \in \cup_{k=-n}^{n-2} S_{c+1+k}$ are now determined by parallelism and trivial holonomy.
6. Collect all H -structures and fiber-to-fiber endomorphisms into new admissible discrete field $(q, \psi)_{c+1}$ defined on $B_{c+1} = \cup_{k=-n}^{n-1} S_{(c+1)+k}$ (new initial band).

New initial data at B_{c+1}

Iterate.

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